

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 41552
Reed, John C., et al. : Confirmation Number: 5834
Application No.: 10/782,627 :
Filed: February 18, 2004 : Group Art Unit: 1643
For: NOVEL BAG PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING THEM

Considered

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Sir:

We, the undersigned, declare as follows:

1) We are the John C. Reed and Shinichi Takayama who are named as the co-inventors of the above-identified patent application.

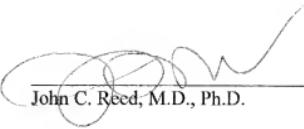
2) We understand that the claims stand rejected as allegedly anticipated by Takayama et al., GenBank accession No. AF022224.

3) We, John C. Reed and Shinichi Takayama, are co-authors of Takayama et al., which describes our own work. The remaining co-authors of Takayama et al., K. Kochel, S. Irie, J. Inazawa, T. Abe, T. Sato, T. Druck and K. Huebner, worked under our direction and supervision. We, John C. Reed and Shinichi Takayama, are the only inventors of the invention as claimed and any disclosure of the claimed invention in Takayama et al.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

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